

RESOLVED, That the committee of observation in each county appoint one or more person or persons in their respective counties, to receive all sums of money, which shall be voluntarily given, to be applied towards the arming and defending this province, or towards erecting manufactories of any kind, or for the immediate relief of such of the inhabitants of this province as are or may become necessitous, from the present general calamities; which persons shall give receipts for the money by them respectively received, and keep and return accounts thereof to the treasurer of their respective shore, specifying and distinguishing from whom the same shall have been received, and if any, what part thereof shall have been given for either of the said purposes, particularly: And the said money shall be paid to the said treasurer, and may be applied and laid out by the Council of Safety, or that part of it residing on each shore respectively, for the purposes before mentioned; having regard, in the application, to the intention of the donors, and promoting the subsistence of the necessitous, rather by erecting manufactories, and the employment of such as labour therein; or in work of any kind, than by immediate gifts; it being the opinion of this Convention, that such charities may be rendered much more extensively beneficial, by having the same placed under a general direction: And that the Council of Safety may also, on proper security and terms they approve of, advance a sum not exceeding one thousand pounds common money, for erecting and carrying on one or more salt works in this province.

RESOLVED, That the committee of observation in each county, as soon as may be, transmit to the branch of the Council of Safety for their respective shore, a particular account of all arms and ammunition purchased in their county, pursuant to the resolves of the Convention in December last, and of all sums of money subscribed and actually paid in or contributed, and by whom, for the purchase of the said arms and ammunition; and that each branch of the Council of Safety order the treasurer of their shore to pay, to such person as shall be appointed by each of the said committees, on their respective shore, the amount of the money so paid in, and actually expended in the purposes aforesaid, before the transmitting of such account, that the same, as well as all other money paid in, not expended as aforesaid, may be returned to the subscribers or contributors thereof.

RESOLVED, That the honourable Matthew Tilghman and John Beale Bordley, Esqrs. and Robert Goldsborough, James Hollyday, Richard Lloyd, Edward Lloyd, Thomas Smyth, and Henry Hooper, Esqrs. residents of the eastern-shore, and the honourable Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, Esq; and Thomas Johnson, jun. William Pacca, Charles Carroll, barrister, Thomas Stone, Samuel Chase, Robert Alexander, and Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esq.s. residents of the western-shore, or any nine of them, be a Council of Safety for this province.

That every member of the Council of Safety, before he enters on the execution of his office, having subscribed the association, take, before some justice of the peace, the following oath, to wit. "You A. B. do swear, that any matter or thing which shall come to your knowledge as a member of the Council of Safety, and which you shall know is by a majority of the Council ordered to be kept secret, you will not divulge, unless in a Convention of delegates, or to the members of the Council of Safety, or with the leave of the Convention, or of a majority of the Council of Safety. So help you GOD." And that the clerk of the Council of Safety, or of either of the said branches thereof, shall, before he enters on the execution of his office, before some justice of the peace, take an oath in the same form, except, instead of the words "as a member of the Council of Safety," inserting, "as clerk of the Council of Safety," or "as clerk of the eastern or western-shore branch of the Council of Safety," as the case may be.

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